has given acceptance for its induction into service-use. Further exploitation trails by the troops on ARJUN tank are in progress and simultaneously planning action has been initiated for its production.

**Pressure on Government to buy Hawk Jet Trainer**

5906. SHRI K. R. MALKANI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any pressure on Government to buy the Hawk Jet Trainer planes as reported in the Indian Express dated the 14th March, 1994;

(b) what are the pros and cons of the various Jet Trainers in the international arms bazar; and

(c) by when Government propose to take a decision in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No Sir.

(b) and (c) Jet trainer aircraft are used for imparting Basic and Advanced Training to Pilots. After evaluation of various Jet Trainers available in the international market, only two aircraft have been found to be conforming to the Qualitative Requirements laid down by IAF for the Advanced Jet Trainer. Proposals from the manufacturers of both these aircraft have been obtained and evaluated from technical angle. Commercial negotiations with the vendors have also commenced. It is however, not possible to lay down the precise time-frame by which a final decision in the matter would be taken.

**Jhuggis on Defence land in Mehrauli**

5907. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Defence Department has land measuring 4 bigha and 8 biswa in Khasra No. 802 in Dantri Pahadi, vill. Satyabari, Tehsil-Mehrauli (Delhi);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether jhuggies have come up on this land and farm house labourer are settled there for the last 7-8 years;

(d) whether Government are aware that owners of adjoining plots erected boundary walls with a view to take possession of this land after destroying jhuggies;

(e) whether it is also a fact that they have actualy taken possession of this land on 9th and 10th April, 1994; and

(f) if so, the steps being taken to evict the plot owners, take possession and resettle the jhuggi people.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (f) As per records available with the Defence Estates Officer, Delhi, 0.94 acre comprising Khasra No. 882, village Satbari is defence land. But as per current Civil Revenue records, the Khasra Number is recorded as 802

During an inspection of the site in February 1994 by the Defence Estates Officer Jhuggis were seen on the site. However no Jhuggis are presently existing there. Whether private farm land owners have encroached defence land in their limits will be known after a survey and demarcation of the land, which has not been completed.

**Grievances of small scale units registered with CSD**

5908. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to remove various grievances of small scale units registered with Canteen Stores Department;

(b) whether it is a fact that pending grievances on stiff and unfair financial conditions imposed by Canteen Stores Department have not been reviewed; and

(c) the steps proposed to review the matter and issues by Canteen Stores Department in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (c) Review of procedures of the Canteens Stores Department (CSD) by the Government is a continuous process and while doing so, the grievances/ suggestions of the suppliers, both in the large or small scale, are also taken into consideration.

**Air accidents in IAF**

5909. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the accident rate per 10000 flying hours identified in the Indian Air Force;

(b) what is the comparative number of air accidents during 1991, 1992 and 1993;

(c) what are the major causes for the air accidents in the Indian Air Force;

(d) whether it is a fact that Government have been considering the question of securing Advanced Jet Trainer to minimise the accident rate; and

(e) if so, what are the reasons for delay in taking a decision in this regard by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b) The accident rate of the IAF in the present decade is better than that of the previous decade. The air accidents details are as follows:-

| Year | No. of accidents |
|---|---|
| 1991 | 33 |
| 1992 | 24 |
| 1993 | 15 |

(c) The major causes identified for air accidents in the Indian Air Force, are Human Error, Technical Defects and Bird Strike.

(d) and (e) A proposal to acquire Advanced Jet Trainer (AJT) for meeting the requirements of IAF has already been accepted by the Government. Proposals have been obtained from short-listed vendors. Presently a Price Negotiating Committee is in the process of evaluating the commercial aspects of the proposal.

**Exim Policy**

5910. SHRI RAMNATH KOVIND: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that its EXIM policy will have adverse effects on Home Electronic and Telecommunication Industries;

(b) if so, whether Government have drawn up any plan to counter balance these effects;

(c) if so, what are those plans; and

(d) if not, what are the reasons for Government not positively reacting to adverse fall out on these home industries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS DEPARTMENTS OF ELECTRONICS AND OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO) (a) The XEM policy (1992-97) will have no adverse effect on the home electronics and consumer telecommunication sectors as there products are